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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

May 18, 2001

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted prior to the Rule 53(b) Continuation Application filed on even date.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert before the first line of the specification the following:

-- This is a Divisional Application of application Serial No. 09/761,742, filed January 18, 2001. --

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-7 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof.

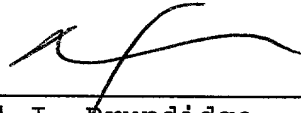
REMARKS

Entry of the above amendments prior to examination is respectfully requested.

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